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B) SAIGON 3708

1. CONCUR WITH REFTEL A PROPOSAL TO INVITE GOZZANO. GVN IS NOT OPPOSED TO HAVING CRITICAL VIEWS OF ELECTIONS IF THEY ARE BASED ON FIRST-HAND OBSERVATION AND ARE RELATIVELY OBJECTIVE.

2. WE HAVE NOT DISCUSSED MATTER FURTHER WITH VIETNAMESE SINCE TALKING WITH NGUYEN VAN HIEU (REFTEL B). HIEU DEPARTED SAIGON FOR ROME AUGUST 24. SUGGEST EMBASSY DISCUSS WITH HIM ADVANTAGES OF GOZZANO OVER RIGHT-WING JOURNALISTS.

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